

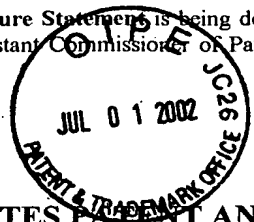
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : KOLODY, et al.
FOR : **RADIOLUCENT SURGICAL TABLE
WITH LOW SHADOW ACCESSORY
INTERFACE PROFILE**
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
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IDENTIFICATION OF CO-PENDING RELATED APPLICATION**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97, 1.98 and MPEP § 609, applicants submit the following Disclosure Statement concerning art of which the applicants are aware. A copy of PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith.

Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner co-pending applications:

a) 09/699,812; and,
b) 09/804,361, commonly owned by the assignee of the instant application and directed to similar subject matter. The existence of these co-pending applications might be considered by the Examiner to be material to the examination of the instant application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to herein or submitted herewith is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(g) and (h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b) exists.

Under § 1.98(a)(3), no concise explanation of relevance is required for information that is in the English language. Accordingly, the enclosed patent requires no further explanation (or no translation is available).

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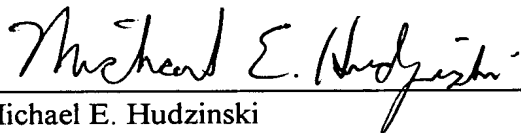
Consideration of the appropriate paragraph(s) indicated below is respectfully requested:

[X] BEFORE FIRST OFFICE ACTION: Under § 1.97(b)(3), this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Although it is believed no fee is necessary, any deficiency in fees should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.

It is respectfully requested that the attached documents be considered and officially cited in examination of this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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